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SUBJECT: Robert A. Maheu

1. Robert A. Maheu was born on 30 October 1917 in Waterville, Maine. He graduated from Holy Cross College, Worcester, Massachusetts in 1940. He is married and has four children.

2. He was employed as a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation from 1940 to 1947. Upon resigning from the Bureau a venture into private enterprise culminated in bankruptcy in 1952. Subsequent to his bankruptcy, he was employed as Special Assistant to the Administrator, Small Business Administration with the specific duty of Director of Security. In February 1954, he was forced to resign for political reasons from this position. He then established his own investigative organization known as Robert A. Maheu Associates, and rented desk space in a suite occupied by Carmine S. Bellino, a former Bureau Agent, Certified Public Accountant, and currently employed on Capitol Hill with one of the Congressional Committees.

3. Mr. Maheu's organization successfully handled a number of prestige accounts, including Niarchos, Schenley Distillers, New York Central Railroad, United Steel Workers Union, and ultimately Howard Hughes. Although he has maintained offices in Washington, D.C. and Los Angeles, most recently he resided in Las Vegas, Nevada.

4. He was initially recruited by the Office of Security in 1954 and granted a Covert Security Approval on 30 August 1954. He performed many sensitive assignments for the Office of Security, and also accepted assignments from elements of the predecessor of the Deputy Director for Operations.

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5. Some of these assignments included the following:

A. King Hussein

The procurement of feminine companionship to the King during an official State visit to this country during the period 16 March 1959 through 18 April 1959. (See attached Tab 1--taken from "Family Jewels" memorandum dated 16 May 1973)

B. Johnny Roselli

The use of a member of the Mafia in an attempt to assassinate Fidel Castro, initiated in August 1960. (See attached Tab 2--taken from "Family Jewels" memorandum dated 16 May 1973)

C. Cover

Various officers of the Clandestine Service met with Mr. Maheu over the years from 1954 to 1970 to determine the feasibility of using his firm for non-official cover purposes. Actual cover uses were provided for one officer in Mr. Maheu's Washington Office from September 1964 to June 1966, and another officer used the cover of Maheu Associates representatives in Quito, Ecuador from 1 August 1968 through 31 December 1970. (See attached Tab 3--Director of Security Memorandum to the Director of Central Intelligence, dated 20 January 1971)

6. No contact has been made with Mr. Maheu since the termination of the above cover arrangement.

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